

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0537

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Black Student STEM Success Academy Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is L.A. Promise Fund located at 1933 S. Broadway, Suite 1108, Los Angeles, CA 90007

The \$1,200,000 request will facilitate positive post-secondary outcomes and catalyze interest and success in STEM, the Black College Success, Black Student STEM Academy is designed to address gaps in college readiness, persistence and completion among Black students resulting from decades of disinvestment and educational inequity with the goal of propelling them into high-demand careers in STEM.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this immersive experience provides students with the tools they need to pursue higher-education opportunities in STEM and motivates them to succeed.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Sydney Kamlager-Dove
Member of Congress

